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## Peking Govt Has Plan To Co-ordinate State Trade

San Francisco, Mar. 15.—The Communist Ministry of Trade in China has been made the responsible and chief organ for controlling State, co-operative trade and directing private trade throughout the areas under the control of Mao Tse-tung's Government, Peking Radio reported tonight.

This was a "new decision on the co-ordination of State trade" taken by the Government Administration Council in Peking, the Radio said.

The purpose of this latest decision was given as: (1) To ensure the fulfilment of the Government's import and export plan; (2) To regulate the home market and the supply and demand of goods throughout Communist China so as to promote the swift rehabilitation and development of production.

### SIX COMPANIES

The Ministry of Trade will set up six special State-operated companies. These will deal in foodstuffs, cotton cloth and yarn, salt, coal, local products and miscellaneous goods. Branches of these companies will be established in all major Chinese cities to regulate the supply of essential goods to the populace.

Six other trading concerns have been or are being established. These deal in britishes, local products for export, fats and oils, imported goods, tea and mining products.

All these State concerns will handle China's import and export trade. The Ministry of Trade will regulate their capital and stock. The Ministry will also determine the wholesale process of essential commodities in the major cities, the Radio further reported. Reuter.

## Birds Cause Fatal Accident

New York, Mar. 15.—A United States Army helicopter's collision with a flock of birds and an Air Force fighter plane's crash into a restaurant killed two people and injured 17 in different parts of the United States today.

In Texas, two men died when the helicopter crashed and burned after breaking off one of its main rotor blades in its encounter with the birds.

In Las Vegas, Nevada, a Mustang fighter plane ploughed into a restaurant at the Air Force base there, injuring 17 people. Reuter.

### BOAC Freight Charges To Be Increased

(Our Own Correspondent)

London, Mar. 15.—The British Overseas Airways Corporation will increase its freight charges from Britain to Hongkong by two shillings per kilo from March 22.

This is in line with the decision taken at a meeting of the International Airports Transport Authority in Mexico recently.

Air freight charges will be put up by all air lines operating to countries in the Sterling Area. Freight charges to countries in hard currency areas are going down. The difference will be approximately 10 percent each way.

## Men Create Panic In Cinema

London, Mar. 15.—Two Londoners were committed for trial here today on charges of creating panic in a crowded West End cinema by releasing smoke bombs and fireworks during the showing of the Palestine war film "Sword in the Desert" last month.

The film, made in Hollywood, with Dana Andrews as the star, told about fighting in Palestine between Jews and Britons before Israel gained statehood.

Even before its first public showing here it had aroused some public protest because of an alleged anti-British bias and the London County Council ordered its withdrawal after the smoke bomb and fireworks during the showing of the Palestine war film "Sword in the Desert."

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Both men were allowed bail while awaiting trial at the Central Criminal Court—the Old Bailey. Reuter.

### BIG GRASS FIRE

For two hours yesterday evening, Hongkong firemen fought a grass fire near the Matilda Hospital, The Peak. Over 10,000 square feet of shrubbery was burned before the firemen extinguished the blaze with sticks.

Mr John Dugdale, said in a written reply to a question in

## Those 71 Chinese Planes At Kai Tak

## Govt. Refuses To Send Probing Commission Here

## SPOKESMAN EXPLAINS LEGAL JUDGMENT

London, Mar. 15.—The British Government rejected a proposal in the House of Commons today to send a Commission to Hongkong to probe the handing over of 71 former Chinese Nationalist aircraft to the Chinese Communists.

Air Commodore Arthur Harvey (Conservative) urged this move "rather than leave the matter in the hands of the local court of Hongkong."

Mr John Dugdale, Minister of State for the Colonies, replied that the Colonial Office had every confidence in the local court and did not consider a Commission of Inquiry necessary.

Air Commodore Harvey said that he was dissatisfied with this answer and that he would raise the matter again.

## Polar Bear Attacks Zoo Attendants

Melbourne, Mar. 15.—Two keepers were injured on Wednesday in a running fight with a maddened polar bear in the Melbourne zoo. A third attendant finally killed the bear with a rifle bullet through the head.

The bear escaped from its inner cage and attacked the keeper cleaning the outer pit. The man was dragged through the open door into the zoo's gardens. Another keeper tried to shoot the bear with a revolver. But the animal knocked him down. A third keeper went into action with a rifle.

The bear survived a bullet through the body, but fell when shot through its head. The animal was valued at \$1,100.

In Auckland the escaped leopard died in its burst of steam gun fire after a brief search in the heavy undergrowth near Auckland's zoo today. United Press.

### DE FACTO CONTROL

The statement continued: "On February 23 last, judgment was delivered by the Chief Justice of Hongkong, but it merely decided that the aircraft, being in the physical control of the employees who now accepted orders from the Central People's Government, were in de facto control and possession of that government, and that therefore it would be a violation of the immunity of a foreign sovereign government for the court to grant the application which had been made, that the aircraft should be delivered to a receiver appointed by the court.

"On the same day, the injunctions, which had hitherto restrained both sides from removing the aircraft, were terminated on an application made by the supporters of the Central People's Government, without opposition from the supporters of the other side. I have been informed that an appeal from the judgment given on February 23 has been lodged, but no fresh injunctions have been applied for. The aircraft are still in Hongkong."—Reuter and United Press.

### REV. WELLS STILL UNCONSCIOUS

The condition of the Rev. H. R. Wells, 80 year-old missionary and Chinese scholar who was knocked down and seriously injured by a tramcar yesterday, was unchanged this morning.

He is still in a critical condition and is unconscious.

### Gubitchev Changes Mind

New York, Mar. 15.—Valentin Gubitchev, sentenced recently to 15 years' imprisonment for espionage, today notified the Federal Judge, Mr Sylvester J. Ryan, that he would sail for Russia on Monday.

Mr Ryan agreed to suspend Gubitchev's sentence if he left America within two weeks "never to return."

Last night Gubitchev's lawyers said that plans had been changed after he had agreed to leave because the Government insisted on his giving up the right of appeal if he left.

The 30-year-old Russian engineer was sentenced with a former United States Justice Department employee, Judith Coplon, who received a similar sentence.—Reuter.

### INDIA AND GOA

Now Delhi, Mar. 15.—The Indian government announced on Wednesday that a note had been handed to the Portuguese government in regard to the future of the Portuguese colony of Goa, on the west coast of India. The contents of the note were not made public.

The Indian press has repeatedly stated that Goa must be returned to India.—Reuter.

## Post Office In Signal Box



Stamping postal orders in England's most unusual post office is Mr G. T. Hopper. The post office, along with the booking office, is in the signal box of Martin Mills, Kent, railway station. Says Mr Smitsen, the station-master: "While we are busy cashing postal orders, taking parcels or issuing family allowances, we have to listen carefully for the train warning bells."—London Express Service.

## KASHMIR DISPUTE

## Searching For A Mediator

### Nimitz Favoured

New York, Mar. 15.—Leading members of the Security Council were busy today on the job of selecting a "United Nations representative" to act as Mediator in the Kashmir dispute.

Immediately after the Security Council had passed the joint resolution appointing the Mediator, the four sponsoring powers, Britain, the United States, Norway and Cuba, met yesterday to confer on the next step. In accepting the resolution, has made it clear that the Mediator should be a person acceptable to India.

It was learned that both Sir Hemalal Narasingh Rau, the chief Indian representative, and Sir Mohammed Zafrullah Khan, the Pakistan Foreign Minister, had been requested by the President of the Council, Dr Horace La Fronde, to be available for consultations during the course of the day.

Indian sources said that no names had yet been officially proposed for the post of Mediator.

### PRESS SUGGESTION

Some surprise was caused, meanwhile, by suggestions in the press here that a certain plan had "gained strength." The New York Times this morning said: "The United States, without doing any pressing, is reported to be favourable to the idea of Admiral Chester Nimitz (as Mediator). Pakistan is also said to lean towards the Admiral, because of his prestige and the fact that demilitarisation might demand a man with a military background.

"One plan reported to have gained strength was to have both Admiral Nimitz and Dr Ralph Bunche go to Kashmir. The Admiral would be in overall charge and Dr Bunche would supervise the handling of specific problems standing in the way of the plebiscite."—Reuter.

## Commons Questions On Reinforcements For Malaya

## Now Considered Adequate

London, Mar. 15.—Since the start of the anti-Communist campaign in Malaya, 1,115 terrorists have been killed, 358 wounded, 644 captured and about 350 have surrendered, Mr John Dugdale, Minister of State for the Colonies, told Parliament today.

Security forces had made 700 operations against the terrorists in the last three months, he added.

The Anti-Bandit Month, which began on February 26, had mobilised nearly half a million volunteers of all communities in a concerted and intensive effort in support of the offensive against terrorists, he said.

Air Commodore Arthur Harvey (Conservative) asked why in his opinion "at this late stage" he had decided to send out additional troops and aircraft. If they were necessary now, were they not necessary months ago?

Mr Dugdale replied, "No. It had been decided after having seen how far the anti-bandit campaign went, what degree of success it had had, seeing the difficulties, that it would be as well to send out this extra brigade."

The brigade would, in fact, enable those troops who had already done such gallant work to have some rest and recuperation. This was very necessary after this campaign, but it would not have been necessary a month or two ago.

Mr Dugdale added, "We cannot forget that on a previous occasion when we pressed for reinforcements to be sent we were told that they were quite unnecessary and within a month or two they had to be sent," he said.

"Will you go into the matter very carefully and see if these are the final requirements of the military?" he asked.

Mr Dugdale: "We are satisfied that they are the final requirements."

Mr Barnett Janner, Labour, pressed for some recognition of the exceptional services given by rubber planters in Malaya.

Mr Dugdale replied that many rubber planters, in common with others, had suffered serious hardship.

The British Government had great admiration for the courage they had shown in the face of terrorist attacks. The High

Commissioner, in making his recommendations for recognition of public service in the Federation, had been paying full regard to the claims of this section of the population.—Reuter.

### CHEAPER ELECTRICITY

Reduction of consumer rates from April 1 by one cent for lighting and two cents for power with comparable reduction to bulk supply consumers was announced by Mr J. D. Alexander, Chairman, at the annual meeting of the Hongkong Electric Company, Ltd., held at the Company's offices, P. and O. building, this morning.

A resolution was also adopted to increase the Directors' remuneration from \$18,000 to \$30,000 per annum.

Paris, Mar. 15.—Master bakers stoked ovens and baked unaided in thousands of Parisian bakeries today after 5,000 assistants went on strike.

The strikers, all belonging to the Communist-led General Confederation of Labour, represent about half the bakers assistants of France. They claim a cost of living bonus of 3,000 francs a month and special allowances for night and Sunday work.

Gas pressure in the city was still low as the result of the six-day strike despite requisitioning of key workers. Steel plant owners said that about 500 strikers had returned in their industry today, but there were still 60,000 out.—Reuter.

## Government Backs Down On Seretse Ban

London, Mar. 15.—The Labour Government was reported to have backed down on Wednesday and lifted, at least temporarily, its banishment of the tribal chieftain Seretse Khama and his wife from their African domain.

The government yielded to protests from its own supporters against the "shabby treatment" given to Seretse Khama, banished last week from his Bamangwato tribe in the British protectorate of Bechuanaland on the grounds that his marriage to a white woman threatened the well-being and purity of the tribe. At least forty Labour members of the House of Commons had joined Winston Churchill's Conservatives and Clement Davies' Liberal Party in demanding reconsideration of the ban.

Informed sources said the government has decided to permit Khama to return to his capital of Serowe at least until June, when his wife Ruth Williams, a former London stenographer, is expected to give birth to a baby.—United Press.

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Virginia Sharpe, actress wife of American actor Phil Brown, in London, works on one of the shoes she has designed. She also rebuilds old footwear.

**New Marriage Axiom!  
TO LOVE, HONOUR AND  
WASH DISHES**By ELIZABETH  
TOOMEY

NEW YORK. Perhaps someone should change the marriage ceremony so the man promises to love, honour—and do the dishes.

Today's brides are being advised to start their brand-new husbands off with a dish towel and a dust cloth—and keep them interested in helping with the housework.

To see how the bridegrooms feel about this plan which was set forth in current issue of a bride's magazine, couples applying for marriage licences at the Municipal Building were interviewed.

Most of the husbands-to-be agreed that they would help their wives around the house. Eight out of ten said they would willingly wipe dishes and clean house. In fact, their enthusiasm for the plan even surprised the girls they plan to marry, in some cases.

**Most Detested Work**

"I'll be glad to do any chore around the house," one bridegroom-to-be said with a happy smile at his future wife. "I don't care if it's dishes or hanging curtains, I'll help with anything I can."

The girl gave him a startled look. "You will?" she said wonderingly.

The only particular job any of the future husbands really balked at was scrubbing or sweeping the floor. It might have been the picture of themselves with a broom or mop in their hands that appalled them. "Washing dishes and dusting are all right, but scrubbing floors is not a man's work," Martin Monowitz said.

**Conditions Favourable**

Admittedly the young men were interviewed under unfair circumstances. They stood in the hot, dingy Marriage Licences Bureau, with their brides-to-be by their sides and brand new marriage licences in their hands.

Some of them qualified their willingness to help with housework with the clause "only if my wife works."

"If my wife works, I'll help," said Harry Bloom of Yonkers, N. Y. "But as soon as she quits her job she can do it all."

The girls looked interested, patient and a little tolerant.

**FASHION FLASHES**

MANY designers have adopted Blanchini's Persian designs. Light woolen fabrics show dots or very little checks and many of them are even lighter weight than silks. Nylons also play an important part, plain or printed, in the fashion picture.

NEW all-weather umbrellas appear everywhere, in bright nylon taffetas, to be used in rain or sunshine. Sometimes they are featured in the same chintz as the suit blouse (Molyneux does this) and sometimes they are in white embroidery or are reproductions of Japanese or Chinese embroideries. Balmain likes this oriental touch.

WEDDING gowns are very lovely this year. Curven showed a beautiful one in all linen; Brigitte featured it in organdy with a very youthful flower embroidery and Helm added a blue velv.

AN IMPORTANT influence coming to the fore is the Far East influence, of Chinese and Indo-Chinese inspiration. It is to be seen in prints, in hats and accessories and is even more marked than the "1900-1925" influence which prevails in some collections.

**MODERN SUITS WITH DETAILS OF THE '20s**

THERE 1920's percolate through the spring collection was what Helena Geffers, another of London's young designers, displayed. Short hair styles, closely waved to the head and worn with bandage for evening stockings with clocks, and jumper-dresses were some of the ways in which Mrs. Geffers harked discreetly back to the past. Her collection in the main is essentially wearable, with some particularly good modern-looking suits.

One of the best was shown both at the beginning and end of the collection as incorporating all the points that Miss Geffers stressed in tailored clothes. It was a dark beige striped over-blouse and a bicolour suit with straight jacket bunch of parma violets at the over slender skirt. The jacket neckline.

had high fly closing, velvet backed tailored collar, with carnation on the lapel, and the accompanying skirt was in white marcella with long sleeves and linked cuffs.

Very similar in type was a perfectly plain fitted navy serge tailored coat with fly-closing and black velvet collar; worn with navy and white striped rayon cravat, fastened with stickpin, and navy and white striped hat and gloves.

Some of the soft suits were interesting, too, in this collection. A slim collarless, belted suit in gray tropical worsted, featured a loose sleeve, widening toward the wristline. With this goes a lilac and white rayon cravat, fastened with stickpin, and navy and white striped hat and gloves.

had high fly closing, velvet backed tailored collar, with carnation on the lapel, and the accompanying skirt was in white marcella with long sleeves and linked cuffs.

Treatment depends upon the correction of physical disorders and the ingenuity of the physician, Dr. Park reported.

United Press

**A Simplified Way Of Phonics Taught To Children Suggested**

A FEW decades ago phonics began to disappear from American school readers. But phonics are coming back. They never should have disappeared. In the "Elementary Course of Study," bulletin 233-B, put out by the Department of Public Instruction of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa., a large amount of space is devoted to phonics and their proper teaching.

Phonics once disappeared because many teachers used to put so much emphasis on sounds of letters that their attention and the children's were diverted from meaning of words and combination of words. Moreover, earlier methods of teaching phonics relied on the synthetic blending of individual letters and their various sounds. This resulted in sound distortion in which "cuh-a-pup," for example, hardly could be recognised as cup. The newer way avoids this procedure. Pictures are helping.

But before much practice like the foregoing begins, it is important that the child should be able to recognise all the 26 letters of the alphabet, though he need not learn them in order till he begins to use the dictionary.

**Pictured Words**

Even the preschool child may be interested in pictured words which rhyme, as hat, rat, bat, and bring from his own little head more rhyming words. Some children-magazines often carry features of pictured words which rhyme. Many preschool children as well as children six, seven or eight years old enjoy such features. Some magazines sometimes carry groups of pictured words which begin with the same letter, as box, book, basket. Some magazines also run occasionally a feature of pictured words which begin with blends of letters, as plate, plane, plumb; or pictured words in which e sounds like e as in city, cedar, cedar; or pictured words in which e sounds like k, as in cat, can, coat.

Now any parent can help a child in the first or second grade to have a lot of fun at learning such sounds. Accordingly, she helps the child find and cut out pictures of words in old magazines, beginning with such sounds or blends, and paste these words in a scrap book. Then

she prints for him the proper word under each picture. Of course, not nearly all such words can be pictured. But if a few are, the child will easily think of other words beginning with each group of sounds or blends.

Another mother also can help the child through pictures that he can find, cut or paste, containing the short sound of each vowel, beginning with words of one syllable, as cat, man, bag.

Soon the child can be led to see how the final e on the end of a one-syllable word affects the sound of the preceding vowel, as when you add e to can to make it cane. It also will be fun for the youngster to have experience at recognising such endings as er, est, as, ay, ly; and to be able to break up a two-syllable word into its component syllables.

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**Winning Through Short Cut**

SCORING over sixteen rivals, 28-year-old Leonard Winton, won the recent Hairdressing Spring Fashion Contest, held at the Royal Hotel, Woburn Place in London.

His model was auburn-haired Frances Power, aged 17, hairdressing apprentice from Kensington. Her hair, only 4½ in. long was dressed in a simple, asymmetrical shingle.

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# IDEAL HOME EXHIBITION IS MORE INTERNATIONAL

By Peter Lovegrove



There is more of an international flavour than ever before about this year's Daily Mail Ideal Home Exhibition, our annual pageant of domestic progress, which opened at Olympia, London, on March 7.

From 12,000 miles away, New Zealand sent one of its 33,000 "State Houses," which are built by private enterprise to Government plans for the authorities to own and let. The Dominion went into the house-building business as long ago as 1936 to attempt to solve a shortage that was then, and still is, acute.

These neat, red-roofed, one-storeyed, three-bedroom homes, which can be rented for 29s. 6d. a week, are built of the plentiful native timbers—the outer walls of Matua, a black pine, or Rimu, a red pine, and the window frames of Totara, a hard-weathering wood-like teak.

One out of every four houses built is a State House, and they have become an accepted and pleasing feature of New Zealand's cities and towns. New suburbs, complete with schools, halls and community shopping centres, have arisen around these estates.

The specifications conform with the requirements of many local authorities in Britain, where unfortunately such timber is not available.

France, invited as a guest in honour of the President's visit to display products of which she is most proud, occupies a place of honour with her tapestry, fine linen, table services, jewellery, women's clothing, perfume and vintage wines in fascinating old bottles.

On another stand, her famous cheeses compete with the Samsoe and Blue cheeses of Denmark, which is also displaying butter fresh from the churn and mild-cured bacon, while travel agencies from Austria and Italy are busy arranging bookings for the Dolomites and the Tyrol, Venice and Capri.

## TALKING DRUMS

Lord Vansittart's new maxim is based on the "simple principle . . . that one should not build up countries likely to attack one," and for that reason he criticises the British Government's decision to accord recognition to Communist China.

Propounding his theory in a letter to The Times, he suggests that in international affairs "one must have a few principles." Too many might be a nuisance, but there must be some.

He goes on: "One principle is that, while it is embarrassing in any circumstances to find oneself in relations with manufacturers, it is inexcusable to hasten out of one's way to enter into entanglement on the eve of advertised crime."

The Government has recognised the Chinese Communists regardless of their impending invasion of Tibet; and Lord Hugh Russell (Lord Vansittart's adversary in this current newspaper controversy) says, in effect, that we are not concerned with the Tibetan funeral.

## IN DILEMMA

"What then shall we do when rape is followed by murder? Look the other way, or complain and turn up at the criminal's next reception?"

"We have put ourselves in this dilemma by disregard of principle, and are therefore bound to lose respect."

He recalls his prewar maxim, "Keep Germany Lean," which he subsequently elaborated during the war, and says he thought then that "the sacrifice of some trade was better than the sacrifice of 30 million lives." But still we went on exporting metals to Germany and Japan.

"The same tendencies," Lord Vansittart warns, "are at work again."

He describes as "wifish thinking" the view that recognition will not encourage "our enemies."

## NOT TO KOW-TOW

"It will," he says, "be interpreted as weakness, which always stimulates aggressors."

"I want no friendship with evil," he concludes. "When once we have realised that the lust for world dominion must mean another war, that cruelty is the unforgivable sin, that the oppression of the individual and the suppression of the soul have nothing on God's earth to recommend them, we should not kow-tow but stand up to them. I say again: 'Keep Communism Lean.' Experience speaks for that principle."

## He Wants To Keep Communism Lean

Lord Vansittart, who, during the war, repeatedly advocated a post-war policy of stringent control over German war potential, has now suggested a new maxim for our times: "Keep Communism Lean."

## Theatre News From Britain

On his return to Britain from Hollywood, Emylyn Williams will produce and star in her own play, "Accolade." The chief character is a famous novelist, who is knighted and then becomes involved in a scandal. The play, presented by I.M. Tenement in conjunction with Leland Hayward and Joshua Logan, will go to New York after its London run.

Eileen Herlie, not seen on stage since her success at the Edinburgh Festival of 1948 as Medea, has chosen Phèdre's "The Second Mrs. Tanqueray" for her return to the West End. Her portrayal of Paula should be interesting. Cecil Beaton is designing costumes and scenery.

Emile Little is to present a musical version of Barrie's "Quality Street" later this year. Harry Purcell Davies has composed the music, Christopher Hassall has written the lyrics, and Doris Zinkeisen is designing the costumes. Mr. Little's next production will be "The Purple Fig Tree," a melodrama set in an inn in Greece, with Margaret Rawlings and Jack Hawkins (Piccadilly Theatre, London) and "Latin Quarter," a spectacular revue which goes to the London Casino on March 18.

Stanley French and S. H. Newsome are to put on a big-scale British musical, with a book based on Thackeray's "Vanity Fair."

Another promising young dramatist is Teri Block, whose "Flowers for the Living" has opened at the Duchess Theatre, London. The play deals with a slum-bred girl who returns home after six years of decent living in the Army. Novi Pilbeam plays the girl, with Kathleen Harrison as her mother and Barry Morse as the Corporal with whom she is in love.

Kenneth Allott and Stephen Tait have dramatised E. M. Forster's interesting novel, "A Room with a View," and it has had its first performance at the Arts Theatre, Cambridge. This is the first time Mr. Forster has allowed one of his books to be staged.

Miles Malleson, whose English version of Molère's "The Miser," with himself in the title part, is one of the hits of the present Old Vic season, has now adapted "Tartuffe." This will be seen at the Old Vic, Bristol.

## K. O. CANNON

## British Council's 1950 Courses

The British Council's 1950 programme of short courses and summer schools in Great Britain is now being distributed in 60 countries in different parts of the world.

It contains 48 new courses to be held in more than 24 centres in England and Scotland and Wales between March and November.

More than 1,000 places in working class districts specialists from overseas county town of Lewes (Jude territories are expected to 4 to 25).

Subjects included in last year's programme which have been included this time are "Safety at Sea" (London and Liverpool), April 18 to May 4;

"Forestry" (Aberdeen, September 11 to 23); "The British Commonwealth of Nations" (Oxford, July 17 to August 4) and "The Nursing Profession" (Edinburgh, June 22 to July 6).

Among the new ventures are courses on "Broadcasting for Schools" (London, April 1 to 10); "Development of the Appreciation of the Arts" (London, Manchester and Wakefield, September 25 to October 19); "Dairy Technology" (Reading and London, July 11 to 25); "Research in Pomology" (East Malling Research Station, near Maidstone, March 21 to 31); and "An Experiment in Social Analysis," which will take

in view of the fact that many applicants were disappointed last year, the British Council has decided to increase the number of places available to teachers.

A limited number of study tours will also be arranged, if requested, for groups of between five and 15 people studying one particular subject.

## NEWS IN PICTURES



FAMOUS 12 ACRES

Over 500 firms rub shoulders in these 12 acres of famous exhibition space, and while many of them display important improvements and innovations which will make homes more decorative and comfortable, perhaps the most spectacular feature of the Show is the ingenuity with which their wares are presented.

Two new houses, which can be bought or built for those who have the good fortune to hold both a building licence and a determination to possess their own hearth, are attracting much attention. One, the Berg House, is a four-bedroom cottage (bungalow with a chimney stack of rough course stone, and costs £2,165 (exclusive of the land), of course. The other is Unity House, built on the science that began with the "prefab" era, but which has the appearance of a traditional house. Semi-detached, with concrete columns, steel beams and manufactured stone, it costs some £1,200.

The Services are represented as usual. The Royal Air Force has the most spectacular display, with visitors invited to use the standard Free Gunner Trainer and a Night Vision Trainer, and they can also get the impression of flying one of our latest jet fighters, the Meteor.

The Army has brought-lads

from the Army Apprentice School at Harrogate to demonstrate their normal trade training as carpenters, painters, surveyors and architectural draughtsmen.

## USEFUL GADGETS

The Ideal Home Exhibition

would not be complete without a crop of odd but useful new gadgets. This year I found a Hearing Hat for women who are sensitive about their deafness; it conceals a tiny 3-valve electronic hearing aid, the batteries, and the earphone itself.

A vacuum cleaner with an undercarriage to simplify stair-cleaning. An Electric Chef which kneads dough, beats, blends, whisks, minces and extracts juice from foods. A 2 hp motor cultivator which mows the lawn, cuts long grass, and drives a sprayer. A mains-operated food mixer, which creams fat, mashes potatoes and polishes silver. A 2 ft. 6 in. high dwarf washer which can deal with up to three pounds of clothes in two to three minutes, and a midget radio which costs (including purchase tax) just £1.75.

But this year's show is not merely a picturesque lesson in geography. It is largely the ever-welcome mixture as before, the colourful cavalcade of British progress in the domestic arts, under £1.75.



READY FOR THE TOURISTS — A woman lace worker sets up her stand in Genoa, Italy, as the entire Italian Riviera prepares for what is hoped will be a record tourist year. Thousands of Holy Year pilgrims are expected to visit the

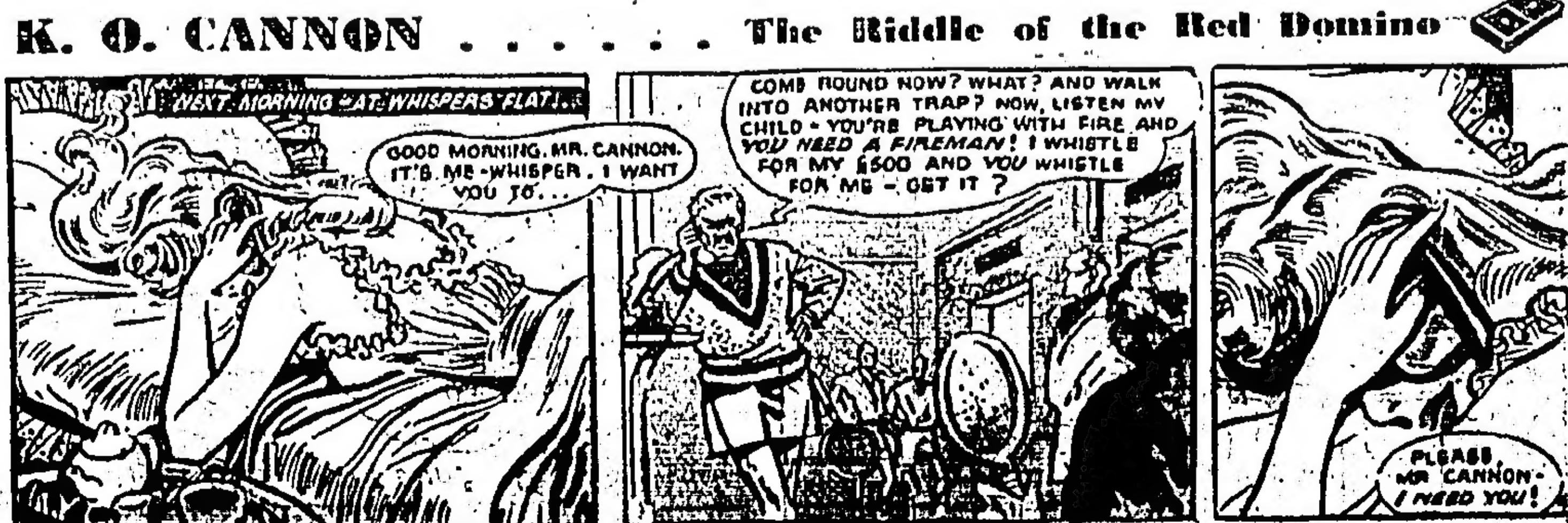
famous beauty spots along the coast.



FASHION'S TWINS — Two scarves, one 22 inches square and the other 30 inches square, lend an original air to a blouse and skirt outfit. One is worn shawl fashion, while the other is tied in a knot at the throat. Swiss batiste scarves worn together are a new note in fashion.



PRETTY AS A PICTURE — Sweeping clouds make a picturesque formation over the calm waters at Miami Beach, Florida, at the start of the seventeenth annual Lipion Cup Race. The 23-mile contest was won by Ticonderoga, a 72-foot ketch owned by Allen Carlisle of Miami. The cloudy skies added considerable scenic pleasure to the race.



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## NOW—FROM A MAN—THE SCIENTIST'S VIEW

# How can we account for man's crushing superiority?

THE stature of the masculine mind can be assessed by its astonishing achievements in science, religion, art, music, exploration, and every other field of progressive endeavour.

There is no comparable record for judging the feminine mind. The list of great women reduces to about six names. Madame Curie, Jane Austen, the Bronte sisters, Queen Elizabeth, and Florence Nightingale.

Women explain this by alleging that their sex has never been given the chance to express its mental powers.

This is a poor excuse. One of the fundamental characteristics of the genius is his determination in overcoming social and financial obstacles to achieve his purpose.

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### NEVER EVEN ONE GREAT WOMAN COMPOSER....

WELL-TO-DO women have never been denied musical or literary education. Yet there have been no great women composers or philosophers and few

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In spite of all this I will not hold woman's past against her in this assessment of her intellectual powers. I will measure her mind as it compares now with its male counterpart.

The brain—the mechanism which determines the power of the mind—weighs 50% less in the average woman. But size is not so important as structure. And so far scientists have found no structural differences between woman's brain and man's.

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# Big Communist Concentration In Kwangsi

## CLASSIC INVASION ROUTE TO INDO-CHINA: BUT NOT MOVING

Saigon, Mar. 15.—A French Army commander, General Marcel Carpentier, told Reuter today that about 700,000 regular Chinese Communist troops were concentrated in the Kwangsi Province areas near the "classic" invasion route to Indo-China.

### Danes Rout The Communists

Copenhagen, Mar. 15.—Denmark's nationwide municipal elections today resulted in a rout for the Communists.

The Communists lost their only seat in the County Councils and lost 50 of the 74 seats they had won in Town Councils in the 1946 elections.—United Press.

### Death Of Mr. H.G. Wallington

#### Former Principal Of King's College

News was received in Hongkong this morning that Mr. H.G. Wallington, former Principal of the old King's College, and a one-time prominent sportsman in Hongkong, died at his home in Wellingborough, Northants, on March 12. The funeral took place yesterday.

The late Mr. Wallington joined the Education Department in January, 1924 and was first associated with Queen's College, then became headmaster of the Yaumati School, and finally Principal of King's College. He held that post when war broke out in December, 1941.

The late Mr. Wallington's health suffered irreparably as a result of his Stanley internment and he was invalided out of the Service upon Liberation.

In his younger days Mr. Wallington was an outstanding sports figure. He played full back for the Hongkong Football Club and represented the Colony in Interport soccer. He also played cricket well, and later took up bowls with great keenness and displayed considerable skill at the game.

Mr. Wallington is survived by his wife and a son, Guy, who at present is serving as a District Commissioner in the Solomon Islands.

### Search For Greek Govt.

Athens, Mar. 15.—King Paul today began consultations with political leaders to determine the formation of the new government on the basis of the March 5 elections.

The King saw Constantine Tsaldaris, head of the leading Populist Party, and Sophocles Venizelos, leader of the Liberal Party, the second strongest.

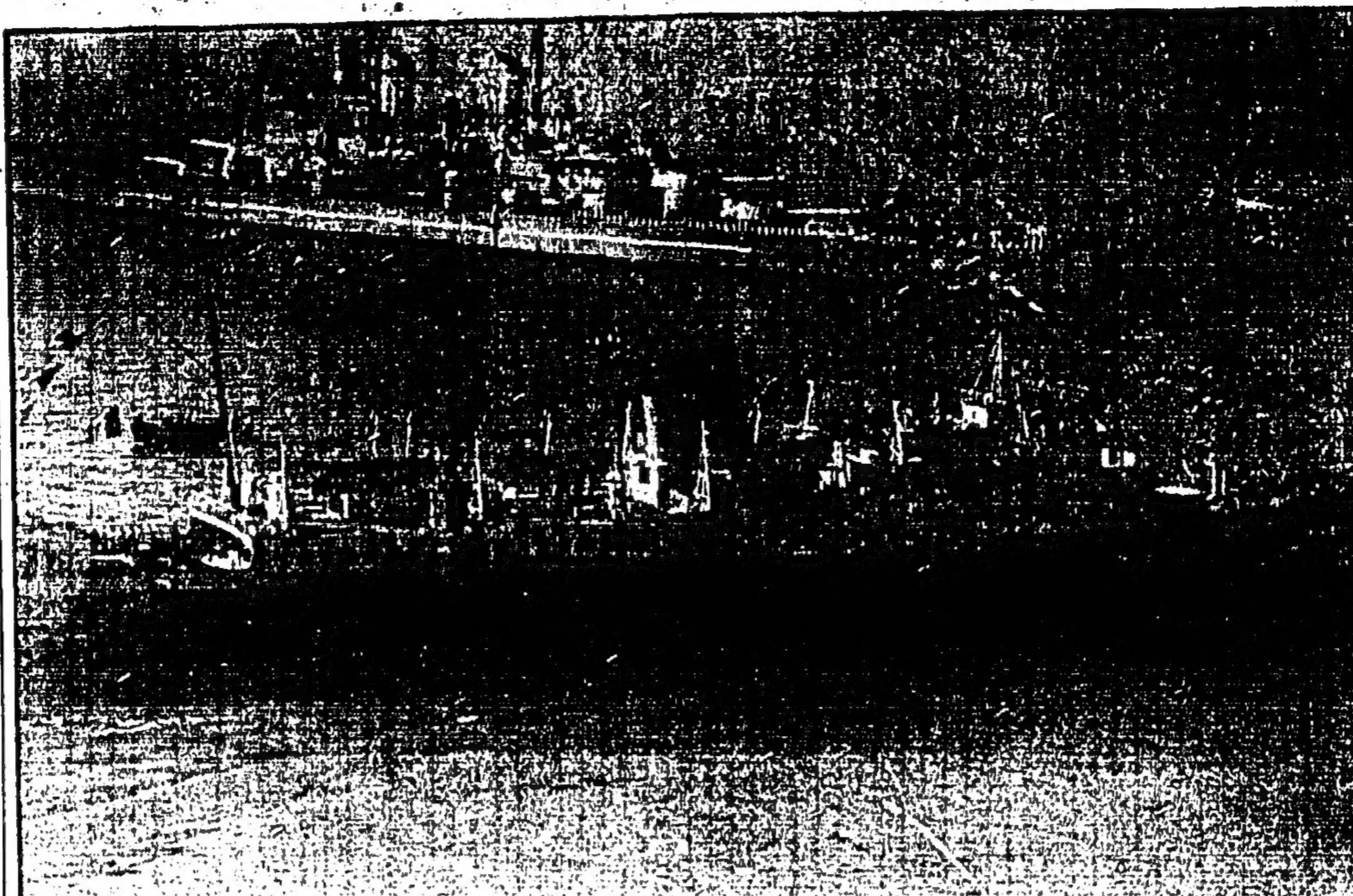
As a matter of formality, the King will also see leaders of other top parties which created a five-way split of the majority vote. Mr. Venizelos has agreed with the leaders of the three other top-ranking parties to form a coalition which would not include the top-ranking Populists.

The King is expected to make a decision early next week.—United Press.

### Radio Hongkong

H.K.T. 6. "Hongkong Calling." Programmes: 8.00; London Promenade Orchestra: 8.22; London Organ Solos (BBC73); 8.30; La Demi-Heure Francaise (Studio); 7. World News and National Weather Forecast; 8. Radio and Sports Review, by Bill Phillips (Studio); 7.30. "Take It from Here," with Joy Nichols, Dick O'Brien and Jimmie Durkin (BBC73); 8. "From the Editorials" (London Relay); 8.10. "Band Call," introduced by George Hoddin (Studio); 8.10. "At the Movies." Butterly Act 1 (Puccini) with the Principal Chorus and Orchestra of the Royal Opera House, Rome, conducted by Ottavio Zagni. "Private Angel," (BBC73); 10. Radio News Rec. (London Relay); 10.15. Weather Report; 10.15. "In My Library," A. M. Weller; 10.15. "The Gaiety," A. M. "Thursday Serenade," A programme of Continuous Music, Arranged by Betty Brown; 11. "George Light's" and "Sweetie Pie"; 11. "World News and Home News from Britain" (London Relay Recorded); God Save the King; 11.30. "Close Down."

## Sun shines for the Auriols and the Navy puts a show



In the background HMS Vanguard in full dress for the visit of the French President, M. Vincent Auriol, and Mme. Auriol, who arrived aboard the Arromanches (forefront) at Dover. (London Express Service).

## America To Clamp Tight On Espionage

Washington, Mar. 15.—In a sharp reaction to recent spy cases, the House of Representatives today voted 369 to two to clamp tight new safeguards around American secrets and stiffen the penalties for espionage.

### ISRAEL'S PACT WITH JORDAN

Cairo, Mar. 15.—Egyptian press reports from Beirut and Damascus that Transjordan and Israel had signed a separate five-year peace treaty persisted today.

Al Ahram reported that Emir Khalid Shehab, the Lebanese Minister to Amman, yesterday telephoned on the Beirut Foreign Office, saying King Abdulla had called Arab State envoys to a meeting there this morning to inform them about the "conclusion of the treaty."

Al Miski reported from Beirut that the Lebanese Foreign Minister had received "official information" that Jordan and Israel had concluded a peace pact. Al Miski reported that the new treaty provided:

1. Transjordan to have free use of the port of Haifa.

2. Arab refugees in Jordan to have the right to return to their homes in Jewish-held territory.

3. Jews to have free passage to Jerusalem from Tel-Aviv.

4. Jews in Jerusalem to have access to the Wailing Wall, the Hebrew University and Hadassah Hospital.—United Press.

5. It puts a brake on capital available for investment when it is badly needed. (In five years most companies will have put aside 25% less for reserves for development than they would otherwise have done and the revenue which would thereby accrue will have been lost to the Treasury.)

6. The Colony lives on its export trade and whereas the entrepreneurs must, of course pay tax, it should be an obvious mistake to make a dead set at them merely because they offer the easiest target.

7. The principle, particularly in respect of expense incurred in ensuring security, should be to get something out of all who obtain benefit, whether sojourning temporarily for safety or permanently for a living, whether just passing through on business or pleasure, and can be accomplished perfectly fairly by higher pay-as-you-indulge taxes that is to say, on petrol (the present 80c per gallon could well be doubled if it were necessary), oils, liquor, tobacco, stamp duty, entertainment tax, cosmetics, etc.

8. And when, and only when, a deficit becomes apparent something else can be thought of, and if Mr. Follows cannot let the Hongkong taxpayer pay for someone else who can.

It would be encouraging to see the Unofficial Members of the Legislative Council make a real stand on this issue. It would be gratifying too to find Government willing to heed and act on fair criticism.

—J.R.

9. "Yes, you certainly did cut down on our budget, George

—but aren't we going to spend something for coal, milk and rent?"



Princess Elizabeth, standing on her garden wall at Clarence House, watches President Auriol and his wife go by in a cavalcade procession en route for a Guildhall luncheon in their honour. (London Express Service).

## SURVIVORS TO SEARCH TRUCULENT

Sheerness, Kent, Mar. 15.—New efforts will be made tomorrow to find out how many bodies still remain in the British submarine Truculent which sank in the Thames Estuary in January with the loss of 64 lives.

Three survivors volunteered today to board the raised vessel to identify any bodies still in the wreckage.

The battered hull, lifted yesterday from the bottom of the Estuary, was today on a sandbank near here.

The Admiralty plan to lift her again at high water tomorrow and re-beach her at a slightly higher position on the sandbed.

Salvage experts had hoped to go aboard at low water today but it was found that the hull was more extensively damaged than was at first thought.

When the Truculent has been re-brached the gash on her side, caused by a collision with the Swedish tanker Divina immediately before her fatal dive, will have to be patched before the water can be pumped out.

The leader of a party of five volunteers from the submarine service, wearing breathing apparatus and carrying white mice and a miner's lamp to test for foul air, will then go aboard.

They will bring out the remaining bodies, documents, stores and personal effects.—Reuter.

### Hush-Hush Defence Conference

Ottawa, Mar. 15.—A hush-hush defence conference attended by Canadian United States and British experts in radar, Arctic, psychological and other forms of warfare, opened here today.

The conference, which was sponsored by the Canadian Defence Department's Research Board, was launched under such stringent secrecy precautions that no one would even say where it was being held.—Reuter.

## Belgian Plebiscite Vote

# LEOPOLD STILL STRUGGLING FOR RIGHT ANSWER

Geneva, Mar. 15.—M. Franz Van Cauwelaert and M. Robert Gillon, the Presidents respectively of the Belgian Lower and Upper Chambers, spent nearly two hours with King Leopold this afternoon after reaching Geneva by special plane from Brussels.

On returning to their hotel they immediately conferred with the Belgian Prime Minister, M. Gaston Eyskens, who was not present at the meeting.

M. Eyskens had a conversation alone with the King this morning. After a short but animated talk with the two Chamber Presidents, M. Eyskens had a 30-minute telephone conversation with Brussels from the King.

The arrival of the Presidents of the two Belgian Houses of Parliament is seen here as indicating that discussions between King Leopold and his Prime Minister are not proceeding too smoothly. M. Van Cauwelaert's remark that it was probable that other leading Belgian political figures would come to Geneva to see the King has added strength to the belief that King Leopold wishes to investigate every political source before coming to a decision on whether he will return or not.

The King's principal secretary, Professor Jacques Pirenne, arrived at the hotel early tonight. He went immediately into a long conference with the Prime Minister and the two Belgian Chamber Presidents.

M. Pirenne then drove away with M. Van Cauwelaert in the direction of Pragny. M. Gillon continued to talk earnestly in the public lounge of the hotel with M. Eyskens.

All comment on the progress or substance of the talks was

## Britain To Ease Up

Washington, Mar. 15.—Britain has agreed to ease up on her plan to cut drastically dollar oil imports to the Sterling Area, Mr. Tom Connally, Senator and Chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said today.

Senator Connally said that E.C.A. officials told him that the British Government "have modified their stand"—Reuter.



## PRESS PHOTOGRAPHS

Copies of photographs taken by the South China Morning Post and Hong Kong Telegraph Staff Photographers are on view in the Morning Post Building.

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# BRITAIN'S NEW ATHLETIC STANDARDS OWE MUCH TO ONE INSTITUTION

BY ROY MOOR

**Britain's marked advance in general standards of track and field athletics achievement in recent years reflects particular credit on Loughborough College, her newest centre of physical education. Since 1931 Loughborough College—situated on the outskirts of the picturesque market town of Loughborough in the English Midlands—has developed from a small centre of athletic instruction into an important institution in the field of sport.**

Students from all parts of Britain and the Commonwealth countries today seek the physical education diploma at the College which is fast winning fame throughout the world for its capacity to produce sports teachers of outstanding ability.

The many distinguished teachers of athletics already produced by Loughborough include England's team of national coaches: G. Dyson, A. Chapman, D. Watts and J. Alford, who lecture to schools and athletic clubs and supervise the training of club coaches.

It was in 1931 that a Physical Education department was created at Loughborough—at that time specialising in engineering instruction—to develop the athletic side of the College and to begin a course of training for students to qualify as teachers. So successful has been the Loughborough College that today nearly 200 young men study physical education there every year.

## SUMMER SCHOOLS

Special summer schools for various sports are also held annually. For instance, Loughborough authorities, in conjunction with the Amateur Athletic Association of England, hold a special holiday course of a fortnight's duration for track and field athletics enthusiasts eager to improve their ability either as performers or coaches.

Many businessmen take advantage of this course, for it offers an opportunity to qualify as a district coach under the nation-wide athletics coaching scheme. The result has been that Britain is now equipped with nearly 200 specialised athletics coaches. Such is the demand for athletics instruction in the country since the 1948 Olympic Games that double that number at least is required.

The College offers magnificent training facilities.

Features of the Main Hall are the indoor swimming pool and a gymnasium divided by a central corridor. The pool is 75 feet by 30 feet. An underground passage runs round three sides of the pool and through plate glass windows inserted in the sides the tutor is able to watch the students in the water and to communicate with them by means of microphone and loudspeaker.

The gymnasium, which is fully equipped, is 82 feet by 45 feet and contains a badminton and basketball court. There is also an outdoor swimming pool 110 feet by 45 feet. Besides a second gymnasium with a floor area of 3,000 square feet there is an indoor tennis court of 120 feet by 60 feet which can also be used for gymnastics.

Besides providing a first-class system of physical and sports education, the College is equipped with 35 playing fields which comprise 120 acres of ground and has accommodation for Rugby football, Association football, hockey, cricket, and hard court and grass court tennis courts.

There is also an athletics stadium capable of accommodating 20,000 spectators on grass terraces. It has an ideal quarter-mile cinder track wide enough for six "lanes," permanent jumping pits and adequate provision in space

## Test Umpire Suggests Appeals Be Banned

London, Mar. 15.—Frank Chester, the English Test umpire, who said yesterday that he had never enjoyed one match in the Australian tour of 1948, said tonight that he would like appeals to be banned experimentally for a season.

Chester, talking to Central Lancashire League captains and umpires, said: "I would like to see an experimental season in first-class cricket without appeals, leaving it to the umpires to decide. After all, they are the sole judges of fair and unfair play."

Asked if, in view of the growing practice of every man in the side appealing, he thought umpires should be given jurisdiction to call this "ungentlemanly conduct," he replied, "I am writing a book and you will find the answers all there. I have said a lot and I shall probably be for the high jump about it."

Chester declared: "I am proud of English cricket and have never seen our players resorting to intimidation of the umpires. I have nothing more to say about the Australians. The New Zealanders, who were here last season, were a charming lot of men and it was a pleasure to umpire their matches."—Reuter.

## CEYLON XI IN KARACHI

Karachi, Mar. 15.—The Ceylon cricket team arrived here tonight by air for their month's tour of Western Pakistan. The non-playing manager, M. Ismail, told Reuter that all 16 Ceylonese players were fit and had enjoyed a comfortable trip from Colombo.

The Ceylonese players were looking forward to meeting the Pakistani cricketers, especially the Dominion's fast bowler, Munawar Ali.

The Ceylon team is wasting no time. They have made arrangements to be at the nets at 10.30 a.m. tomorrow on a Karachi ground close to the hotel at which they are staying. Later in the day local cricketers are taking them on a sightseeing tour in Karachi Harbour.

Their first match against a combined Sind Province-Karachi XI begins on Friday. The team was welcomed at the airport tonight by members of the Sind-Karachi Cricket Association and the Secretary of the Pakistan Cricket Board of Control.—Reuter

**IVERSON'S 50TH**

Auckland, Mar. 15.—Jack Iverson, Victoria's star leg-break bowler, brought his tally of wickets for the Australian team in New Zealand to 50 today when the touring team beat Southland by an innings and 37 runs at Invercargill.

He claimed five Southland second innings wickets for 14 runs to finish with a match analysis of 11 wickets for 22 runs.

The Australians, unbeaten in the nine matches played so far, meet New Zealand in the one and only Test of the tour at Dunedin starting on Friday April 1.—Reuter.

The Salvadoran Government has sent a protest to the Guatemalan Government over the treatment of the Salvadorean players.

Rioters last night clamoured for a break in diplomatic relations between Salvador and Guatemala.

The Salvadorean Government posted guards around the Guatemalan Embassy and Consulate.—Reuter.

## THE SWALLOW SKATE SWIRL



Arms - outward - stretch might have been the order given to Beryl Bailey at Wembley ice-rink. At 19 she is one of the best of Britain's post-war skating discoveries, and was one of four British girls competing in the World Ice Figure Championships. —(London Express Service)

## COLONY TENNIS

### Spence And Tsui Reach No Decision In 2-Hour Battle

Who will meet Ip Koon-hung in the final of the Colony Tennis Championship? A 123-minute marathon battle between Tsui Wal-pui and Lt.-Col. J. W. Spence last night still left the question unanswered.

Tsui won the first two sets convincingly, 6-3, 6-3. Spence, less convincing but nevertheless effective, took the next two, 6-1, 6-3. In a tense and exciting fifth set, Tsui led five games to two, but Spence fought back to level the score 5-5, and the match was left at that.

If Monday's replay is anything like yesterday's match, the tennis community of the Colony will be suffering from heart failure.

The tie between these two promised to be the most interesting of the tournament. It was.

#### ALL BEFORE HIM

Tsui took all before him in the opening sets. Oddly, games went against service for the first five games, but Tsui pulled ahead to 4-2 in the all-important sixth game and then went on to lead.

With some tremendous cannonball services and smashes, Spence led 4-5. In the ninth game, but with quiet strategical play, Tsui pulled up and won the game and the set.

Tsui began the second set with three magnificent aces—and then a double fault. But he won the game and the next two. Spence was swiping at random during this period, and Tsui was getting the measure of the smashes and was returning them accurately.

#### HELD INITIATIVE

Although Spence took the fourth, seventh and eighth games in this set, Tsui never really

lost the initiative and he had the doctor running from sideline to sideline.

So far, things had gone all Tsui's way. But, from the start of the third set, the spectators saw a different Spence.

They saw a Spence tearing into the play as if his life depended on it, and they saw a Tsui greatly subdued by such a show of spirited tennis. He hit hard and accurately. Tsui made gallant efforts to return the smashes, but if he managed to return them, Spence usually produced a really unbeatable smash across court.

Spence won all the games in the third set with the exception of the fourth.

The players took a rest before starting on the fourth set. They both deserved one.

#### TEARING IN'

Tsui appeared refreshed at the resumption, but Spence continued his "tearing-in" tactics and won the first two games. He led in the third game 40-15, but Tsui fought back gallantly and cleverly, and with well-placed shots took the game.

The rest of the set was odd. Spence took two and Tsui took one love game. Tsui began to sparkle a little before the end, but it was too late and Spence won the set to make it 2-2.

The match was then 95 minutes old and it appeared that the final set would be a question of stamina. Odds appeared to be in Spence's favour. He is the bigger man and Tsui was certainly not playing a "Falkenburg." In the third and fourth sets, he was obviously too tired to win, so soon as he could.

But these calculations proved wrong. Tsui had sparked a little at the end of the fourth set, but in the fifth he really shone.

With short spins he brought Spence up to the net, and then lobbed with consistent and amazing accuracy just out of Spence's reach.

He took the first three games in the next to no time; the fifth and in the next to lead 6-2.

#### NOT QUITE!

To everyone it looked all over. To everyone, that is, except Spence. Although obviously wearied by the long and hectic match, he fought back with some of the old fire he had shown earlier. Twice the score went to deuce in the eighth game, and then he brought it off.

Cannonball services took him to 40-0 and eventually game in the ninth, and then, in the tenth, with the light failing and everyone at fever-pitch, with excitement, he quickly and methodically won the game to draw.

It was a pity the light did not last long enough to have seen a decision. What it would have been is anybody's guess.

#### KCC TENNIS

The official opening of the 1950 tennis season of the KCC Cricket Club will take place on Sunday with an all-day American Tennis Tournament and will be followed by a cocktail party and an impromptu dance. All members of the Club, intending to take part in the Tennis Tournament, are requested to sign their names on the notice board at the Club, and as the number of players will be limited it is advisable for members to put their names on the list as soon as possible.

#### YESTERDAY'S FOOTBALL

##### FIRST DIVISION

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##### Prisons

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## LESSON HAND

DUMB BELLS  
REGISTERED U.S. PATENT OFFICE

WANT A JOB?  
WHAT I NEED  
IS A  
RIGHT HAND  
JUST  
MY BAD  
LUCK  
I'M  
LEFT  
HANDED



MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE  
Remembering Cards  
Is the Key to N.T.

By WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

This is the fourth of a series of hands taken from an article written by Mr. I. T. Sun in the December issue of The Bridge World. I had the pleasure of interviewing Mr. Sun on the radio some time ago at which time we discussed the fact that it was the Chinese who invented paper.

The first playing cards were money-derived cards. In other words, the Chinese made paper money and played cards with it. They soon discovered that it wore out, so they made cards

♦ Q 4 3	♦ K 10
♦ 6 4	♦ K 9 2
♦ J 3	
♦ Q 7 3	♦ K 10 7 5
♦ Q 10 8 3	♦ J 7 3
♦ 10 9 8 5	♦ Q 6 2
♦ A 9	
♦ A 2	
♦ A 10	
♦ A 7 4	

Lesser Hand—Neither vul.  
South West North East  
2 N.T. Pass 3 N.T. Pass  
Opening—♦ 3 10

commemorating the money. They were a long but very narrow card.

I assure you that the Chinese people play their cards very well, as is demonstrated by the play in today's hand.

West opened the three of spades and declarer held off the spade until the third lead. His next play was the ten of diamonds. West put on the four and dummy the deuce.

It was not necessary to make five diamond tricks, but declarer wanted to assure four diamond tricks. He was hoping that if East held four diamonds to the jack he would make the mistake of winning the ten-spot, but East played the three.

Now declarer attempted to establish the Jack of clubs as an entry to dummy. He led the four of clubs and East won the jack with the queen. He returned a club which was won by declarer with the ace.

The ace of diamonds, the king of clubs and the ace and king of hearts were cashed, bringing the situation down as underlined.

Declarer led the queen of diamonds. West could not discard a spade because declarer would overtake the diamond in dummy and play the good six of spades. He could not discard the ten of clubs, as declarer would hold the trick and win the next trick with the seven of clubs.

So West let go of the queen of hearts, whereupon declarer held the trick and then led the deuce of hearts. East had to win the trick and lead from his jack-eight of diamonds into dummy's king-nine.

INT'L SCIENCE TESTS

## DOWNING STREET

by T. O. HARE

A KNOT of spectators in Downing Street was watching members of the Cabinet as they arrived for a critical meeting. Who's that? I asked my neighbour as a silk-hatted figure, carrying a red umbrella, was walking along the Mall at No. 10. "It's the Minister of Morale?"

"Yes, he said. "Quite right," said a second spectator. "The Minister of Morale! It is Looks grim doesn't he?"

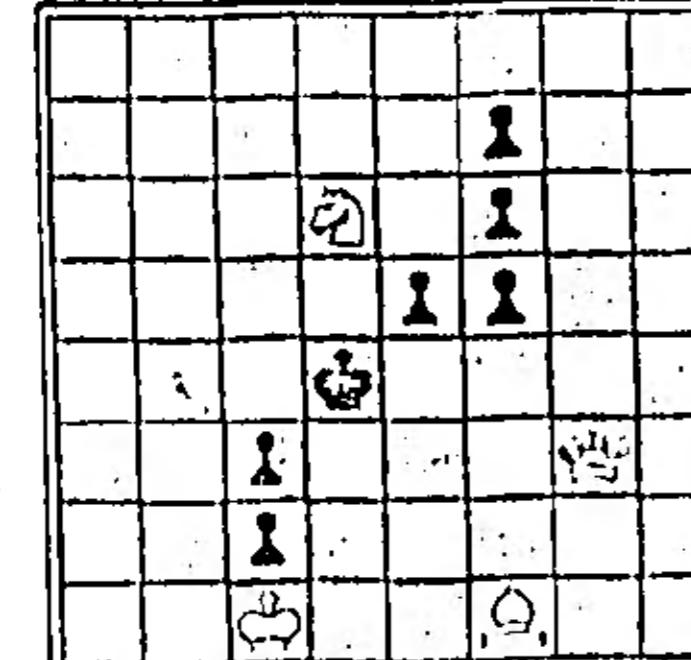
The first of these speakers makes no point in telling the truth, but the second tells the truth four times out of five.

What the government in question was in fact the Minister of Morale?

(Solution on Page 8)

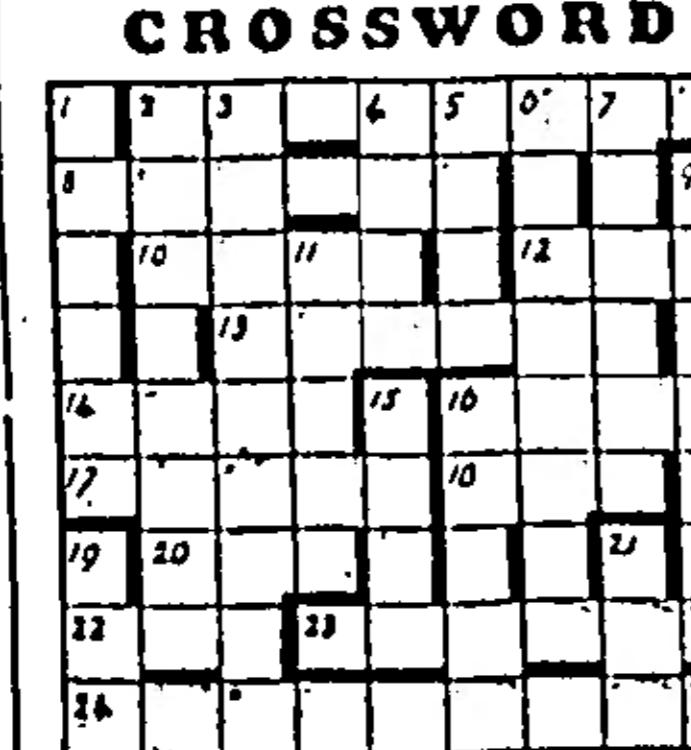
## CHESS PROBLEM

By L. PROKES  
Black, 7 pieces.  
(No. 2467)



White to play and mate in three. Solution to yesterday's problem:

1. Q—Q6, any; 2. Q, R, B, Kt, or P. (dis ch) mates.



CROSSWORD

Across:

1. He seems to be a little arrival. (8)

2. One has no desire to do in this uproar. (8)

3. Discourteously snort. (9)

4. We get nothing but sauce when we go in. (8)

5. Let me out, but honour it. (8)

6. Even a lame mite gets around at this. (8)

7. She's highly ranked in India. (8)

8. Skinned alive. (8)

9. It's high up. (8)

10. The cat changes and becomes a dog. (8)

Solution on page 8.

Answers on page 8.

## RECORDED MUSIC

### DISCS WILL BE MADE IN THREE SPEEDS

By DAVID C. WHITNEY

TUE "record war" of last year between the big record makers, concerning whether 45 or 33½ rpm should be the proper speed for microgroove records, appears to have settled down to the point now where disc collectors must conclude they are going to have to live with both speeds, as well as the old 78 rpm, for some time to come.

All the big companies are now putting out their records in at least two speeds and some in all three.

M-G-M records was the latest to fall into line, announcing that it will release albums recorded on 33½ long-playing discs.

Shortly before the M-G-M announcement, RCA Victor had announced it would begin releasing records on the 33½ speed, as well as continuing releases on 45 and 78 rpm.

Capitol already makes all three speeds and Decca makes 78 and 33½ rpm sizes, saying it will make 45 if the demand for that size increases.

Johnny Heywood has a pair of excellent piano solos on "Trees" and "Babe" (London). Tommy Dorsey's latest are "Nice to Know You" and "Puddle Wump" (RCA Victor). Russ Case's orchestra with "A Dream Is a Wish Your Heart Makes" and "The Little Gray House" (M-G-M). . . .

Vincent Lopez's band has a pair of very danceable tunes in "Sunlight by the Sea" and "Here Comes That Mood" (Columbia).

Jo Stafford sings "Fools Rush In" and "Just One of those Things" (Capitol). . . .

Johnny Bradford, with singing accompaniment, has an over-euite novelty, "The Sleeping Song" (RCA Victor). . . . Ralph Young sings "Sorry" and "Rosa and Wine" (Mercury). . . . Shep Field's Rippin' Rhythm is heard in "Last Week's Kisses" and "Be Kind and Make Me Love You" (M-G-M). . . . Sharkey and his Kings of Dixieland instrumental "Bourbon Street Bounce" and "Pizza Pie Boogie" (Capitol). . . . Jimmy Dorsey's orchestra on "Till I Hold You" and "Lost in a Dream" (Columbia).

(Tomorrow—Unusual Angles)

## BY THE WAY by Beachcomber

NEWS of a radio-alarm which will wake you with music instead of with a bell will probably send music-lovers into raptures of delight.

For those who hate music—by which I mean what passes for music today—there might be an oily voice to shout at hourly intervals throughout the night: "Four more hours before getting up... three more hours... You're having a lovely sleep... GOOD-night, everybody!" Later on this voice may be accompanied by television, so that you can actually see the kind gentleman who is waking you to tell you that you are having a good sleep. And a murmur on you all!

### A curious case

"AND what?" asked Dr. Raynsfoot-Moodle, as he wiped a thermometer on his breeches and then breathed on it. "And what seems to be the trouble?"

"Every time I blink," replied the patient, "my shoes fill with sand."

The doctor rubbed his chin meditatively with the thermometer.

"Have you tried not blinking?" he asked.

"Why, no," said the patient. "One must blink."

"Then, evidently, one must risk having one's shoes filled with sand. Do you live in a desert, by any chance?"

"No, I live in Birmingham." "Then where do you get the sand?"

"That's just it," said the patient eagerly.

### Sniibbo does it again

"GOUNDS to me like sababu-S is," said the doctor. "Take one of these pills!" And out came our old friend the Sniibbo bottle.

The patient swallowed the pill blinking hard.

"You do blink a lot," said Moodie. "Now, take off your shoes, and don't spill the sand on the carpet!"

The patient gingerly removed his shoes.

"What! No sand?" cried the doctor.

"Amazing!" said the patient. "Not a grain of sand. I'm cured! Doctor, I can never thank you enough. Let me have a dozen bottles of these pills!"

Behind the arras two Directors of Sniibbo Ltd. shook hands.

—London Express Service.

## RUBBISH AND NONSENSE!

### How Britain Refers To Policy Rumours

London, Mar. 15.—A British Treasury official tonight described reports as "nonsense" from Washington that Britain had asked the United States to guarantee her against gold and dollar losses resulting from British participation in the projected European Payments Union.

It is well known that Britain wants to delay the time and reduce the amount of gold and dollar settlements under the scheme. But this could hardly be described as asking for an American guarantee.

Since Britain has achieved an overall export surplus with the world as a whole and particularly with continental countries of the Organisation for European Economic Co-operation, which would be in the European Payments Union, she stands to gain from the Union more than the \$150,000,000 which would be deducted from her share of Marshall Aid to form the reserve fund of the Union. Certainly, she should not gain less from it.

A Paris report that Britain's accession to the Union might cause another devaluation of Sterling was described by some London Bankers as "rubbish". At Sterling's present devaluation rate, they pointed out, Britain is the cheapest supplier of many exports, including the vitally important steel.

### STERLING PRESSURE

There was ample evidence that Sterling is putting pressure on many countries. Some of them who thought they had sterling to burn have, instead, found themselves running short of it.

Washington reports that Europe might have to form a discriminatory bloc against American trade were also regarded as out of taste.

It can be demonstrated from trade and Marshall statistics that the world's dollar gap is closing. From the beginning of the year the world has certainly had a surplus of dollars. This is self-evident.

Britain's gold and dollar reserves has continued to rise strongly.—Reuter.

## Rapid Rise In Tin Prices In London

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

Tin prices are soaring. The three months quotation went up another £4 per ton today, making a total rise of £10 in the last two days business, and causing the backwardation—the difference in price between cash and tin for delivery in three months—to be narrow to the point of disappearance.

In turnover of a hundred tons, cash tin went up slightly to £599½ to £600 and three months went up £1 to £598½ to £599.

Settlement was up five shillings at £599¾.

The reason for this steady rise in three months tin is the abolition of the fixed selling price by the Reconstruction Finance Corporation which now makes it profitable for American consumers to buy abroad.

I understand there is now considerable American demand for the commodity.

## HONGKONG SHARES

Transactions recorded on the Hongkong Stock Exchange this morning were lowest in value for some time, the total volume up to noon being valued at \$25,200. Noon quotations were.

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SHIPPING XD 210

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P. Wharf 51/2 0

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Wheelock 25

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HSBC Hotel 0.40

UTILITIES XD

Tram 14.60

Gas 11.40 200 0 11/2

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Closing rates March 15

Canada (Dollar) 1.10

England—official 2.45 bid

Japan (Yen) 2.30/2.31

Australia (pound) 2.24/2

New Zealand (pound) 2.70/2

South Africa (pound) 2.02/2

# Bevin Answers Questions On Arms And Oil

London, Mar. 15.—Mr Ernest Bevin, the Foreign Secretary, deprecated the linking in Parliament today of the British supply of arms in Iraq with the question of reopening the Haifa-Iraq pipeline.

"It would be far better if Members wanting an answer about the pipeline would ask questions about the pipeline and not about the supply of arms to Iraq," he said.

Mr Somerst de Chair, Conservative, had urged him, in view of Britain's intimate treaty relationship with Iraq, to discuss this question "because the mere hostility of the Arab League towards Israel cannot for ever close the supply of oil from Kirkuk to Haifa."

A Labour Member, Mr Woodrow Wyatt, asked whether Britain had obtained any undertaking from Iraq about reopening the pipeline before recently supplying her with arms.

Mr Bevin replied: "No, any arms supplied to Iraq by the British Government are in fulfillment of our obligations under the Anglo-Iraqi Treaty." He said he had discussed the question with every Arab country concerned, including Iraq, and the feeling was "very intense."

## OUTPOST LOST

Mr Bevin did not reply when a Labour Member, Mr Ian Mikardo, asked if the British taxpayer must go on indefinitely paying for arms to go to Iraq that were used "to prevent the British from getting sterling oil."

The pipeline has been closed since the Palestine war, causing the loss of an annual output of about 4,000,000 tons of oil for the sterling area.

The Iraqi Prime Minister, Muzahim Amin Pachachi, said last December that Iraq would refuse to reopen the pipeline until the Palestine problem was solved.—Reuter.

## REFINERIES CLOSE

Haiwa, Mar. 15.—Workers in the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company's refineries here today rejected the Company's dismissal order, and demanded that they be "paid off" when the refineries close down.

This would amount to a holiday with pay while the refineries are running on a caretaker basis pending an increase in the deliveries of crude oil.

The Company announced last month that most of the workers would be dismissed by June 1, only plant maintenance men being retained.

Crude oil formerly reached the refineries by tanker through the Suez Canal and the pipe-line from Iraq. Both these channels

## INDIA KNOWS COMMUNISTS' ASSAM PLOT

New Delhi, Mar. 15.—India's Deputy Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhai Patel, replied in the affirmative to a question in the Indian Parliament today whether any Communist plan for dislocating the Government of the Eastern Indian Province of Assam had been discovered.

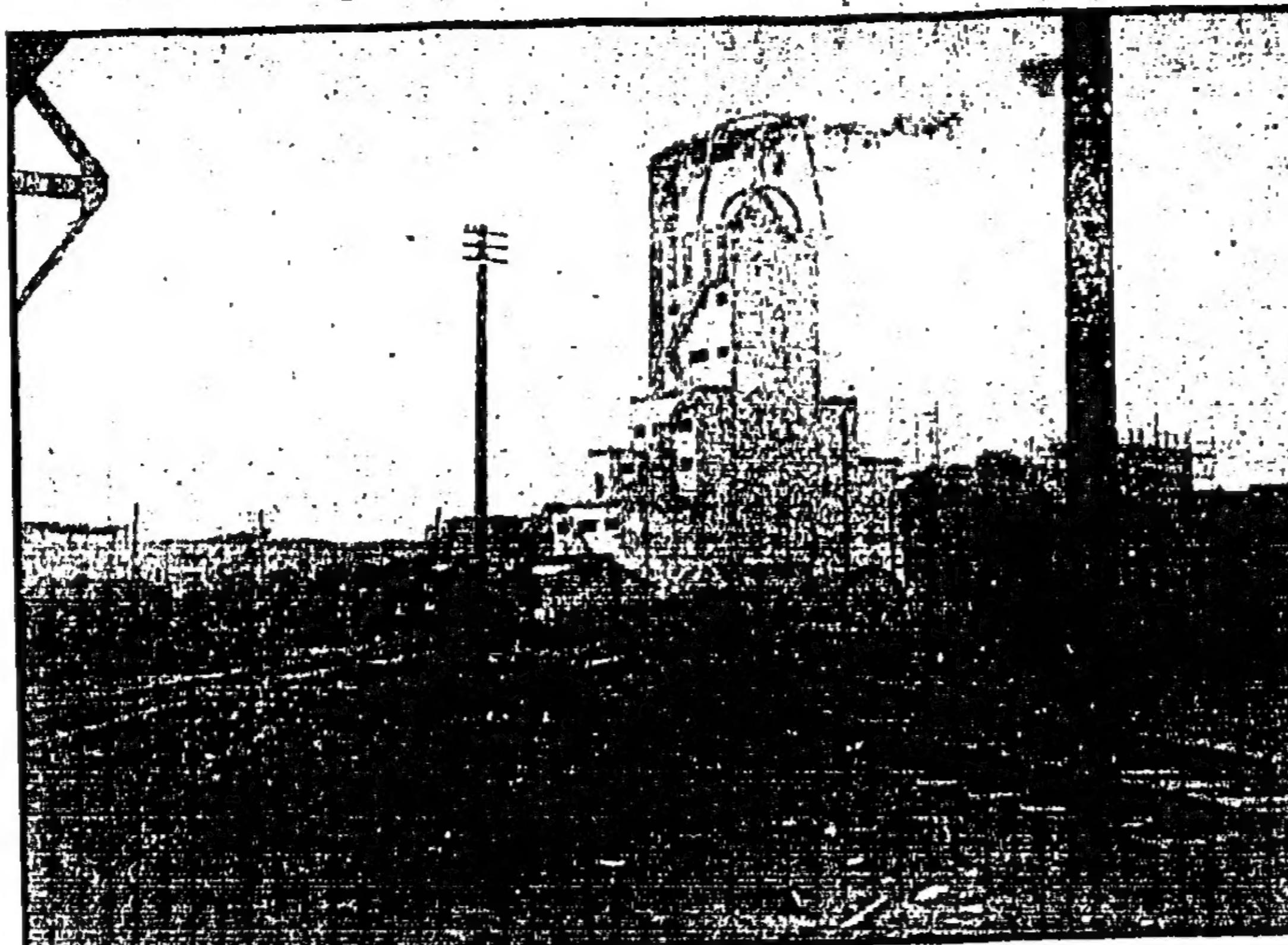
But he negated the suggestion that there had been an infiltration of Communists from outside India.

The Member who asked the questions had referred Mr Patel to a reported raid on the village of Thitu, near Gauhati, about six weeks ago, in which property was stated to have been looted by the raiders.

Mr Patel said that the raid was organised by a group of the Revolutionary Communist Party of India for the purpose of collecting funds.

He added that the case was still under investigation.—Reuter.

## Colliery Under Reconstruction



A general view of Mosley Common colliery, Boothstown, Lancashire, showing a modern pithead. The colliery is being reconstructed, and the completion of half the coal preparation plant marks the end of the first stage of the work. The total cost of reconstruction will be more than £500,000. A minimum of 600 tons of coal will be treated every hour, or, working two shifts, 8,000 tons per day.

## NSW LABOUR PREMIER NOT TO RESIGN

Sydney, Mar. 15.—Mr James McGinn, New South Wales Labour Premier, tonight changed his mind about resigning as head of the Labour group in the State Parliament.

He had announced his intention to resign in a written statement to the Parliamentary group after the Party's State Executive refused to endorse four of his Parliamentary supporters as Labour candidates in the forthcoming State Election.

But he agreed to retain leadership of the group after a Party caucus had asked him to reconsider his decision.

He became Premier in 1947. Observers had interpreted his decision to resign as disclosing a serious split in the New South Wales Labour Party, the most powerful branch of the Party in Australia.—Reuter.

## COSGROVE'S MOVE

Hobart, Tasmania, Mar. 15.—The Labour Prime Minister, Mr Robert Cosgrove, dissolved the Tasmanian House of Assembly today for an early election, possibly in mid-April. He did so after the Assembly's Speaker, Mr W. G. Weed, one of three Independents holding the balance of power in the House, had announced his intention to resign.—Reuter.

## PROTEST PARADES IN VENICE

Venice, Mar. 15.—Red flags flew in St Mark's Square, in the heart of Venice, today as protesting strikers paraded through the gondola city against yesterday's shooting of five workers by the Italian police.

Strikers' road blocks also paralysed traffic throughout the province, where Communist-led trade unions are staging a 24-hour protest.

The only traffic were armoured cars manned by steel-helmeted police armed with rifles and tommy-guns grimly patrolling the tense areas around the Breda engineering works, where the five men were wounded last night in an angry demonstration against factory dismissals.

This morning the express train from Trieste arrived here an hour late with smashed windows after being stoned by strikers along the line.

All further trains were halted in the area.

Outside Venice, the Crown Prince of Saudi Arabia, Prince Mohammed Abdul, had held up and was unable to continue his journey to Switzerland.

Local reports said that the strike had spread through 10 Northern provinces.

In Venice everything was at a standstill, even the gondolas.

## Vietminh Radio Denies Report

Paris, Mar. 15.—Vietminh Radio today denied a report that negotiations might soon be opened between the Vietminh leader, Ho Chi-minh, and Bao Dai, head of the Vietnamese State. The Agence France Presse reported from Saigon.—Reuter.

## Shah Declares Strategic Persia Needs U.S. Aid

Karachi, Mar. 15.—The Shah of Persia, Mohammed Raza Pahlavi, said here today that if the economies of the Middle East countries could be strengthened, "the formation of an ideological bloc would be easy," according to a Government press note.

Answering 12 questions compiled by a Government-appointed committee, the Shah, who is now on a visit here, was quoted as saying that "close continental ties" existed between the countries of the Middle East, but they had to be cemented by some materialistic ideas."

Referring to Marshall Aid and the Point Four plan for aid to under-developed areas outlined in Point Four of President Truman's inaugural address in January 1949, the Shah said that Persia in the past had been a "proud country" and had begged help from nobody."

"Now we cannot be prouder than Britain, France and the other great nations.

"My country is in one of the most strategic positions in the world," the Shah said. "That is why the prosperity of Persia is important to world problems. It remains for the United States to decide which way she is able to extend help to my country."

## VERY IMPRESSED

The Shah, who returned here yesterday from a tour of East and West Pakistan, said he was very impressed that in the short period of Pakistan's history, "this nation has been able to muster such military might. It is encouraging and gratifying to see that this neighbouring and brotherly country has such an outstanding military force at its command."

In an address to the Pakistan Parliament today, the Shah said that during his tour he had particularly admired the discipline, health, technique and equipment of the Pakistan Navy, Army and Air Force.

He said since Pakistan and Persia had similar beliefs and a similar creed, "it will be perfectly logical to state that both of them will stand united to maintain peace in this part of the world."

The Shah appealed in his address to the Big Powers to "come to the relief of the smaller ones and avert this state of poverty and its evil consequences."

The Shah is leaving for home tomorrow morning.—Reuter.

## CURFEW LIFTED

Bombay, Mar. 15.—The curfew has been lifted in all areas of Bombay, and the city is normal again after two days of stringent police precautions against "potential trouble makers."

The police today arrested 24 people—two of whom were carrying lethal weapons—bringing the total number of arrests so far to 264.—Reuter.

## Students To Grow Food

San Francisco, Mar. 15.—The Chinese Communists are going all out to produce their own food, Peking Radio indicated tonight.

Apart from assigning army personnel to work on the land, they have now supported a scheme whereby secondary school and college students will do the same so that they can grow enough vegetables to meet their own needs.

More than 90 percent of students in 70 Peking schools have volunteered to "undertake productive work." They have obtained 200 acres of land outside the city as well as Municipal Government loans for the purchase of seeds, implements and fertilisers.—Reuter.

## New Guinea Issue Is Thorny One

Djakarta, Mar. 15.—Indonesian leaders are almost certain to make the future status of Dutch New Guinea one of the questions of discussion when they meet Dutch Ministers at the first conference of the Netherlands-Indonesian Union here on March 25, an official source here said today.

The movement in Indonesia for the inclusion of Dutch New Guinea in the new Republic has grown to such an extent that the Government, which is fighting for popular support, dare not ignore it, this source said.

Informed Dutch and Indonesian sources agreed that unless the Netherlands Government give way on this and other issues a serious split in Union relations may follow.

In fact, they said, high-level representations are being made to have the conference postponed for several months because the present time is considered "too dangerous."

The New Guinea question was due to be settled this year but the Netherlands Government did not expect the matter to be brought up at the initial conference.

It had no objection to putting the matter on the agenda, it was understood, but would rather go no further at this stage than to appoint a Commission to investigate the question.

Well-informed circles here believed that the Netherlands Government was anxious to keep control of New Guinea in order to have a voice in any future defence policy for Southeast Asia.—Reuter.

## MINDSZENTY AILING IN PRISON

Vatican City, Mar. 15.—The well-informed Catholic news agency, Ari, said today that the health of Hungarian-imprisoned Cardinal Mindszenty, had grown worse recently.

The agency said the Cardinal was suffering from Barlow's disease, a goitre ailment which causes protruding eyeballs and accompanying spoils of delirium.

The illness was caused by strong drugs administered to make him declare things contrary to his conscience," Ari said.

The agency said the Cardinal was in the hospital of a Budapest prison, and that the Communist Hungarian government had refused the Hungarian episcopate information on his condition.

Ari said: "It is believed that the Hungarian Government feels the Cardinal may die in prison, and has already attempted to cure him by sending him to the mountains of Slovakia, but now has decided to try a new cure in the prison hospital.

The Cardinal was sentenced to a life term on anti-State charges," Ari said.

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